

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 2620**

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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This communication is filed in response to the Final Office Action having a mailing date of July 22, 2010, in which a three (3) month Shortened Statutory Period for Response has been set, due to expire October 22, 2010. Claims 22, 51, 53-60, and 62-67 are pending, of which Claims 22 and 59 are independent claims.

In the present action, the Office rejected all of the claims in view of a newly found reference, Yamanami et al. (US 4,902,858, “‘858”), assigned to the same assignee as the present application (Wacom Co., Ltd.). Specifically, claims 22, 51, 56, 57, 59, 60, 65 and 66 were rejected under 35 U.S.C 102(b) as being anticipated by Yamanami et al. ‘858. Claims 53 and 62 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Yamanami et al. ‘858 in view of previously-cited Fukuzaki et al. (US 5,600,105), further in view of previously-cited Ronkka et al. (US 6,002,387). Claims 54, 55, 63, and 64 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being